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SUBJECT: SLOVAKIA LIKELY TO SUPPORT FELICE GAER FOR UN
COMMITTEE AGAINST TORTURE

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Classified By: Ambassador Rodolphe M. Vallee for reasons 1.4(b) and (d)

¶11. (SBU) Poloff delivered diplomatic note, points and C.V. of Ms. Felice Gaer as per reftel to Zuzana Topoleska, Director of the Human Rights Department at MFA, on August 7. Topoleska said that Slovakia has no problem with Ms. Gaer and her candidacy will be given full consideration.

¶12. (C) Topoleska unofficially pledged Slovakia will vote for Ms. Gaer, particularly since there appear to be only four candidates for five positions. Even if additional candidates should announce themselves, however, Topoleska said she could not imagine a scenario in which the MFA would decide not to support Ms. Gaer. Topoleska added that Slovakia is planning to nominate a candidate for the UN Committee Against Torture in 2011.

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